I claim:

1. A method of calculating a premium for a package return insurance policy, comprising:

receiving from a user a policy requirement for the package return insurance policy;

accessing data corresponding to a specified item purchase associated with the package return insurance policy;

and determining the premium based on the policy requirement and the accessed data.

- 2. The method of claim 1, further comprising storing the policy requirement.
- 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising providing an indication of the premium to the user.
- 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising arranging for a consumer, merchants, and carriers to provide a payment based on the respective premium.
- 5. The method of claim 1, wherein said determination is based on an expected total cost of shipping and processing a future possible return of the specified item purchase.

13. A device to calculate a premium for a package return insurance policy, comprising:

a processor; and

a storage device coupled to said processor and storing instructions adapted to be executed by said processor to:

receive from a user a policy requirement for the package return insurance policy;

access data corresponding to a specified item purchase associated with the package return insurance policy; and

determine the premium based on the policy requirement and the accessed data.